

**Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs**

Status report on implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 [for the period ending 31st August, 2009]

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1. Readiness of the States in the implementation of the Act :

- (i) An updated status of State-wise implementation of the Act is given in **Annexure-I**. As per the information collected till 31st August, 2009, **more than 23.73 lakh claims have been filed and more than 4.15 lakh titles have been distributed. More than 94 thousands titles are ready for distribution.** State-wise synopsis of claims approved by DLCs and titles distributed, as on 31.8.09, with respect to the status on May 09, the month of announcement of special drive, is as below:

State	No. of claims approved by DLC		No. of titles distributed		Increase	
	May 09	August 09	May 09	August 09	Claims ready for distribution	Titles Distributed
Andhra Pradesh	128,948	1,73,382	330	1,24,982	44,434	1,24,652
Chhattisgarh	109,711	1,74,871	102,800	1,69,377	65,160	66,577
Gujarat	2,023	2,575	-	2,431	552	2431
Jharkhand	Not available	Not available	-	72	-	72
Kerala	Not available	Not available	-	17	-	17
Madhya Pradesh	43,292	70,356	24,571	35,583	27,064	11,012
Maharashtra	1,365	1,521	-	-	156	-
Orissa	29,816	41,705	-	-	11,889	-
Rajasthan	2,023	4,913	1,778	3,288	2,890	1,510
Tripura	29,507	81,144	29,507	74,042	51,637	44,535
West Bengal	7,545	7,545	5,249	5,249	-	-
Total	3,54,230	5,58,012 (157.52%)	1,64,235	4,15,041 (252.71%)	2,03,782	2,50,806

Pending population of the web-site (www.foresights.gov.in), a statement on claims received and distribution of title deeds in various states, as in **Annexure-II**, is being maintained.

- (ii) The Ministry **held a video conference** at NIC Headquarters on 21st August, 2009 with the concerned officers of the seven States of Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, and Uttarakhand, to populate the web-site on the implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006. A list of States/UTs that are not uploading the website is at **Annexure-III**. List of States/UTs that have not distributed any title so far, is also given in Annexure-III. Annexures I, II & III are being put up on the Ministry's web-site.

2. Clarifications sought by the States, if any :

No State has asked for any fresh clarification.

3. Matters relating to the Act pending at the level of Government of India:

- NIL -

4. Monitoring of the implementation of the Act by personal visits to States/UTs by the Ministry :

- (i) As a follow-up to a letter written by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 13th July, 2009 to Chief Ministers of all States/UTs requesting them to take all measures necessary to accelerate the process of implementation of the Act and ensuring that titles deeds to all eligible claimants are distributed by the end of December, 2009, Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs has also written to the Chief Ministers/Administrators of States/UTs on 28th August, 2009.
- (ii) Chief Secretaries/Administrators of State Governments/UT Administrations have also been requested by Secretary (Tribal Affairs) on 31st August, 2009 to review the progress and inform this Ministry of the strategy they propose to adopt for ensuring completion of the work by end of current year.
- (iii) In order to interact more forcefully with State Governments, specially those which have large concentration of tribals and forest areas, the Ministry has planned review meetings with selected States. **The first such meeting was held with the State Government of Madhya Pradesh at Bhopal on 24th August 2009.** Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs, Secretary (TA) and Director of the Ministry participated. Similar review meetings with other State Governments have been planned during this and next month.

5. Status of identification/declaration of “Critical Wildlife Habitats”

The Ministry had addressed the Ministry of Environment & Forests and the State/UT Governments to intimate the progress made in identification/declaration of Critical Wildlife Habitats under Section 2(b) of the Act. The Ministry of Environment & Forests has informed that **so far 17 States**, viz, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Goa, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Orissa, Maharashtra, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Uttarakhand and West Bengal and 2 Union Territories, viz, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Dadra & Nagar Haveli **have constituted State Level Committees** while the Union Territory of Chandigarh and Lakshadweep have mentioned that there was no need to constitute State Level Committees.

Ministry of Environment & Forests has also informed that Secretary (E&F) and Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Environment & Forests has also written to the Chief Ministers for expediting the constitution of State Level Committees where such Committees have not yet been constituted, and to identify Critical Wildlife Habitats and forward detailed proposals to the Ministry for notification.

Annexure-I

Statement showing State-wise status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

(As on 31.08.2009)

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Andhra Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,27,786 {3,21,715 individual and 6,071 community} * <u>Break-up of individual claims</u> STs - 2,83,600 OTFDs - 38,115
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,16,816
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,77,440
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,73,382
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,24,982 distributed and 12,631 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	86,298
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	July, 2009 (OVER)
	14) Problems	Lack of updated land records
* The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh had earlier given higher figures of number of individual claims filed.		
Arunachal Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No. However, Department of Social Welfare has been selected as the Nodal Department for implementation of the Act in the State.

	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	-
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	-
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	-
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	-
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	-
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	-
	14) Problems	-
Assam	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being done
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	57,652 (55,165 individual and 2487 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	February, 2009. ALREADY OVER

	14) Problems	
Bihar	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	-
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being created in a limited way through advertisements in local newspapers
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Out of 390 Gram Sabhas, training has been completed in about 50 Gram Sabhas
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Is in progress.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	788
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	-
	14) Problems	-
Chhattisgarh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Going on in a large scale
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	4,45,668
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	Not available
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,88,659

	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,74,871
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,69,377 titles have been distributed
	12) No. of claims rejected	Not available
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	June, 2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Out of 85 blocks, at least 40 blocks are affected by naxalism.
Goa	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yet to be constituted.
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Is in progress.
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Done.
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Programme is chalked by GIRDA
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yet to be constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Gujarat	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes

	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,68,306 (1,60,881 individual and 7,425 community).
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	23,619 (23,195 individual and 424 community).
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	3,870 (3,821 individual and 49 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	2,575 (2,553 individual and 22 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	2,431
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.03.2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	There is some delay in conducting the survey and field verification of claim at site on account of State's officials' capability to handle PDA equipments purchased from Forest and Environment Department of Madhya Pradesh. This matter is getting resolved, and thereafter, the progress will improve.
Haryana	The State Govt. has informed that there are no Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers living in the forests of Haryana	
Himachal Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	No need
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes

	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes, in 142 Gram Sabhas out of 151 Gram Sabha (94%)
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	27.1.2009 onwards ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Jharkhand	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	2071 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	4,539
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	72 (including 2 community rights)
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Karnataka	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes

	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has been started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	1605 FRCs have been constituted
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1412
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	471
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009. ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Kerala	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	509 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	33,734
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	17
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Madhya Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes

	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,71,000
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	3,49,000
	9) No. of claims decided by SDLC	3,05,000
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	70,356
	11) Number of titles distributed	35,583 distributed and 34,773 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	1,98,000
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31 st December, 2009
	14) Problems	
Maharashtra	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	2,66,441
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	34,926
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	3,348
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,521
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	56

	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March 2010. EMPHASISED FOR DEC. 2009.
	14) Problems	
Manipur	Reasons why no action has been initiated for implementation of the Act are not available nor were they forthcoming in the Review Meeting held on 11.11.2008.	NO RESPONSE
Meghalaya	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	No No No
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Translation of the Act in local languages is held up on account of non-availability of the Act's legal lexicon in local languages
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being done
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Mizoram	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	No
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	No

	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	The Act is to be approved by the State Legislative Assembly as per the Article 371 (G) of the Constitution.
Nagaland	Government of Nagaland has informed that the land holding system and the village system of the Naga people is peculiar in that the people are the land owners. There are no tribes or group of people or forest dwellers in the State of Nagaland. Hence, the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 per se may not be applicable to the State of Nagaland.	
Orissa	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	(a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes, in 46506 villages out of 46515 villages
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	2,97,580 (2,95,776 individual and 1,804 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,67,567 (1,66,979 individual and 588 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	49,491 (49,393 individual and 98 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	41,705 (41,649 individual and 56 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-

	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	NOT GIVEN DECEMBER 2009 EMPHASISED
	14) Problems	1. Forest land in the State is unsurveyed & detailed maps/records are not available. 2. Illiterate tribal people residing in remote areas find it difficult to procure authorized copy of Caste/Community in support of their claims. 3. Lack of trained manpower & survey equipment thereby hampering vetting of claims. 4. Restrictive Court order.
Rajasthan	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	53,274
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	14,139
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	9,723
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	4,913
	11) Number of titles distributed	3,288 pattas distributed and 1,215 ready for distribution
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	December, 2009
	14) Problems	
Sikkim	The Government of Sikkim has issued a notification dated 28.1.2008 regarding constitution of an Expert Committee for identification of Critical Wildlife habitats in Protected Areas (PAs)	
Tamil Nadu	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes

	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Has started in a limited way
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	-
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Work of setting up FRCs has started. Gram Sabha meetings convened on 15.08.2008
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	7,741
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	Are being scrutinized
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-do-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-do-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-do-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 (subject to Court's approval) ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Restrictive Court order.
Tripura	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Workshop organized for the officials of PRI/SDLC/DLC.
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,62,186
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	81,144
	11) Number of titles distributed	74,042
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	July, 2009.

	14) Problems	
Uttar Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	No need
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Out of 741 Gram Sabhas, in 529 Gram Sabhas FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	28,369
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	276
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Uttarakhand	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	3758 in 7541 Gram Panchayats
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	

	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Formation of committees could not be done earlier due to the coming into force of model code of conduct for elections.
West Bengal	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual claims and 6754 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	5,249 distributed and 2,296 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	11,071
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.03.09 (barring the districts in which there are law & order problems.) DATE OVER
	14) Problems	The State Government has informed that formation of 7 FRCs in Jalpaiguri District and all FRCs in 3 Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District is held up due to grave political disturbances as well as non-functioning of Gram Panchayats in Darjeeling District.
A & N Islands	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes

	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Being constituted.
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Translation has been completed but publication of the translated version yet not done.
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Under process
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems/Remarks The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has informed that in A&N Islands there are no non-tribal forest dwellers as defined in the Act. The Act is applicable only to the Forest Dwelling Scheduled Tribes of these islands. The area inhabited by the Scheduled Tribes of A&N Islands has been declared as reserved area under the A&N Islands Protection of Aboriginal Tribes (Regulation), 1956. The interest of the tribals in the land situated in the reserved areas are fully protected under the provision of the regulation. The tribal reserves have been notified as reserved or protected forest reserve.	
Daman & Diu	The Administration of Daman & Diu has made a reference to this Ministry that the term "State Government" has not been defined under the Act or the Rules thereof. As Daman & Diu is a UT, they have not been able to constitute the prescribed Committees for implementing the Act. The Administration had requested that the term "State Government" may be defined that the State Government in relation to the Union Territories is the Administrator appointed under Article 239 of the Constitution of India. The Ministry had clarified the above issue to the Administration of Daman & Diu in the month of January, 2009.	No progress. MHA has been informed.

Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Has been completed
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Has been started and is going on
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Lakshadweep	The UT Administration has intimated, vide letter dated 6.2.2008, that there are no terrestrial forests and no forest tribes or traditional forest dwellers in Lakshadweep.	
Puducherry	Government of Puducherry has informed that there are no recognized Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territory of Puducherry and also no land in Puducherry is classified as "Forest Land" coming within the definition of Clause 2(d) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The constitution of various committees as envisaged in the said Act does not arise. Moreover, in the Affidavit filed in the Supreme Court in connection with the WP(C) No.50 of 2008 challenging the vires of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, Govt. of Puducherry has affirmed that there is no Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers in the Union Territory of Puducherry for the present.	

Annexure-II

Statement of claims and distribution of title deeds under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

(As on 31.08.2009)

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 31.07.09	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 31.08.09	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.07.09	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 31.08.09
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,29,233 (3,23,272 individual and 5961 community)	110 community	3,27,786 {3,21,715 individual and 6,071 community} * Break-up of individual claims STs - 2,83,600 OTFDs - 38,115	67,963 distributed and 69,650* ready.	57,019 distributed	1,24,982 distributed and 12,631 ready
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	-		-	-	
3.	Assam	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)	-	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)	-	-	
4.	Bihar	495	293	788	-	-	
5.	Chhattisgarh	4,00,000 (approx.)	45,668	4,45,668	1,02,800 distributed and 6,911 ready.	66,577 distributed	1,69,377 distributed
6.	Goa	-	-		-	-	
7.	Gujarat	1,68,306 (1,60,881 individual and 7,425 community)	-	1,68,306 (1,60,881 individual and 7,425 community)	2,431 distributed	-	2,431 distributed
8.	Himachal Pradesh	-	-		-	-	
9.	Jharkhand	4,539	-	4,539	72 distributed including 2 community rights	-	72 distributed including 2 community rights
10.	Karnataka	1,412	-	1,412	-	-	-
11.	Kerala	33,734 individual claims.	-	33,734 individual claims.	17 distributed.	-	17 distributed
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3,66,874	4,126	3,71,000	32,876 distributed and 36,540 ready.	2,707 distributed	35,583 distributed and 34,773 ready.
13.	Maharashtra	2,45,497	20,944	2,66,441	1,384 ready.	137 ready	1,521 ready

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 31.07.09	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 31.08.09	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.07.09	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 31.08.09
14.	Manipur	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.	Meghalaya	-	-	-	-	-	-
16.	Mizoram	-	-	-	-	-	-
17.	Orissa	2,92,812 (2,91,156 individual and 1,656 community)	4768	2,97,580 (2,95,776 individual and 1,804 community)	36,892 ready (36,792 individual and 100 community).	4,813 ready	41,705 ready (41,649 individual and 56 community)
18.	Rajasthan	53,274	-	53,274	3,288 distributed and 1,215 ready.	-	3,288 distributed and 1,215 ready.
19.	Sikkim	-	-		-	-	
20.	Tamil Nadu	7,741	-	7,741	-	-	
21.	Tripura	1,62,186	-	1,62,186	74,042 distributed.	-	74,042 distributed
22.	Uttar Pradesh	28,369	-	28,369	-	-	
23.	Uttaranchal	-	-		-	-	
24.	West Bengal	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual and 6754 community)	-	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual and 6754 community).	5,249 distributed and 2296 ready.	-	5,249 distributed and 2296 ready.
25.	A & N Islands	-	-		-	-	
26.	Daman & Diu	-	-		-	-	
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	-	-		-	-	
	Total	22,99,082	75,909	23,73,434	2,88,738 distributed and 1,54,888 ready.	1,26,303 distributed and 4,950 ready.	4,15,041 distributed and 94,141 ready.

* The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh had earlier given higher figures of number of individual claims filed.

**List of States/UTs that are not uploading the web-site <http://forestrights.gov.in> :
(As on 31.08.2009)**

(A) List of States Not Entering Committee Data:

1. ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
2. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
3. DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
4. DAMAN AND DIU
5. GOA
6. GUJARAT
7. MEGHALAYA
8. MIZORAM
9. SIKKIM
10. TAMIL NADU
11. UTTARANCHAL
12. UTTAR PRADESH

(B) List of States Not Entering Claim Data:

1. ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
2. ASSAM
3. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
4. DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
5. DAMAN AND DIU
6. GOA
7. GUJARAT
8. HIMACHAL PRADESH
9. KERALA
10. KARNATAKA
11. MIZORAM
12. MANIPUR
13. MEGHALAYA
14. SIKKIM
15. TAMIL NADU
16. UTTARANCHAL
17. UTTAR PRADESH
18. WEST BENGAL

(C) List of States/UTs that have not distributed any titles so far:

1. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
2. ASSAM
3. BIHAR
4. GOA
5. HIMACHAL PRADESH
6. KARNATAKA
7. MANIPUR
8. MEGHALAYA
9. MIZORAM
10. ORISSA (because of restrictive High Court's order)
11. SIKKIM
12. TAMIL NADU (because of restrictive High Court's order)
13. UTTAR PRADESH
14. UTTARANCHAL
15. DAMAN & DIU
16. DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI

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